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SUBJECT: NEW FRENCH AMBASSADOR TO MEXICO - JEAN RENE
BERNARD

1. JEAN RENE BERNARD, INSPECTOR OF FINANCE, HAS SERVED AS THE SECRETARY GENERAL OF THE (FRENCH) INTERMINISTERIAL COMMITTEE FOR QUESTIONS CONCERNING EUROPEAN ECONOMIC COOPERATION SINCE 1967. HE WAS BORN IN METZ ON DECEMBER 1, 1932 AND MARRIED FRANCOISE BRIZAY MARCH 1, 1958. THEY HAVE THREE CHILDREN: MARIE-CAROLINE, JEAN-FREDERIC AND MARIE-AMELIE. HE HAS A DEGREE IN LAW AND A DIPLOME FROM THE INSTITUTE OF ADVANCED POLITICAL STUDIES IN PARIS WHERE HE ALSO LECTURES. MR. BERNARD SPEAKS ENGLISH.

2. STUDENT AT THE ENA FROM 1956 TO 1958, BERNARD BECAME AN INSPECTOR OF FINANCE IN 1958. HE WAS APPOINTED TECHNICAL ADVISOR TO THE MINISTER OF NATIONAL EDUCATION IN 1962, TECHNICAL ADVISOR FOR FINANCIAL QUESTIONS IN PRIME MINISTER POMPIDOU'S CABINET 1962-1968, SERVED AS CHIEF OF SERVICE FOR THE INSPECTOR GENERAL OF FINANCE 1965-1966, AND AS AN ADMINISTRATOR OF ELF-ERAP 1966-1969. HE HAS ALSO SERVED AS ADVISOR TO THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE 1968-1969, TECHNICAL ADVISOR FOR ECONOMIC
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AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS 1969-1973 AND AS DEPUTY TO THE SECRETARY GENERAL AT THE PRESIDENCY 1973-1974.

3. DECORATIONS INCLUDE OFFICER OF THE NATIONAL ORDER OF MERIT; COMMANDER OF THE FOLLOWING ORDERS: MERIT FOR AGRICULTURE, THE ROYAL ORDER OF VICTORIA, ORDER OF THE CROWN OF BELGIUM, ORDER OF ORANGE-NASSAU; AND GRAND

OFFICER OF THE ORDER OF MERIT OF THE ITALIAN REPUBLIC.
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